

ORHS Science Teacher Eleanor Milliken helps Ninth Grader Matthew Little in geology after school recently. Mrs. Milliken won a Ward 3 seat on the Dover School Board Tuesday. (Hagman photo)

OR Parents' Day Planned

by Cara Edington

The Oyster River High School Senior Class is now planning the school's first Parents' Day, said Prin. Geoffrey Jones.

Parents' Day will be held Dec. 7, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Parents will have the opportunity to observe students and teachers in a variety of classes, he said.

A special planetarium show, a presentation by Mr. Robert Nilson on Alpha-State and its uses, as well as a guidance department com-

puter explanation are planned, said Senior Pres. Mark Walker. Walker feels the program is a "nice idea" and will help "establish communication between parents and students."

The Parents' Day idea
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ORHS Drama Club Rehearses Plays by Twain and Dickens

by: Yvonne Restani

Rehearsals for the Oyster River Drama Club productions of "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" and "Nicholas Nickleby" have begun, according to Oyster River Drama Club Advisor Richard Tappan.

Rehearsals started for both plays about three weeks ago with rehearsals three to four times a week. "'A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court' is one day behind schedule because of the tournament games," said Mr. Tappan.

Club Pres. Ellen Jensen, director of "Nicholas Nickleby," says that everything is on schedule. "There's not a lot of self-consciousness during rehearsals so we've been able to block the entire play already," she said.

Actual set construction for both plays has not yet begun. According to Mr. Tappan, a dozen people have signed up but more are expected.

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SC Investigates A Student Lounge

by Cara Edington

Plans for a student lounge at Oyster River High School are being made by committees on the Student Council, said SC Pres. John Tegan.

The idea of a student lounge was originally presented by Ellen Jensen who is presently working on a committee to maintain the proposed lounge.

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He added that one of the purposes of the new program is to break down the inter-class social barriers.

Sophomores, juniors and faculty have expressed apprehensions about the new system, simply because it is a "change", said Mr. Jones. The ORHS Student Council has decided to support the plan and give it a chance, said SC Pres. John Tegan.

The School Climate Committee had been working on the new system for two years before deciding upon this one, modeled after Con-Val High School in Peterborough, said Teacher David Nichols. He said that a faculty committee of about five was appointed to investigate less arbitrary systems of assigning advisors than by alphabetical order.

The Faculty Advisory Committee has suggested that the new homeroom advisors:

- Establish a rapport with students
- Discuss career goals
- Discuss current courses and problems in them
- Explain school rules
- Explain and encourage extracurricular activities
- Help with study habits
- Help students budget time

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UNH Jazz Band Set For ORHS Concert

The University of New Hampshire "Three O'clock Jazz Band", under the direction of Oyster River High School graduate Charlie Jennison will perform at ORHS next thursday, said ORHS Band Dir. Cindy Plourde.

The group, which performs songs from the Big Band Era, consists of approximately 20 members. Both Mr. Jennison and percussionist John Smith are ORHS graduates.

The assembly which will take place period six is sponsored by the music department, and will be followed by a 15-minute year-book slide presentation, said Ms. Plourde.

Parking Change Soon

by Eric Hagman

Oyster River High School parking areas have been relined and numbered in preparation for the assignment of parking places to students and faculty, according to ORHS Maintenance Supervisor Murell Thompson.

Parking place assignments will take effect in several weeks, after the school purchases car authorization parking stickers for the student/faculty vehicles. Mr. Thompson said, "Assigned parking will better

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School Hires New Janitor

by Sue Chalifoux

Mr. Richard Lord has been hired as afternoon custodian following the resignation of Head Custodian Charles Townsend, according to school officials.

Maintenance Supervisor Murell Thompson said Mr. Lord started working at Oyster River High School Oct. 24. Mr. Townsend said he quit his job at ORHS in order to work full time at his flower shop, the Pease Air Force Base Flower Shop in Portsmouth. His last day as custodian was Oct. 21.

Mr. Lord has been hired as a member of the ORHS custodial staff. The position of head custodian vacated by Mr. Townsend has not been filled yet.

Mr. Thompson said one of the janitors already employed by ORHS will be promoted to the job. He plans to choose a head custodian before long.

Mr. Lord has previously worked at Pond Lily-Great Falls in Somersworth as supervisor of the inspection room.

He lives on Mast Road in Dover with his wife, Bertha and son, Stephen.

Mr. Townsend and his wife Barbara bought the flower shop three years ago. Mr. Townsend worked mornings at the flower shop, doing "a little bit of everything," including buying and delivering flowers and waiting on customers. From 2:30 to 11 p.m., he worked at ORHS as custodian.

Before joining the OR custodial staff in 1977, Mr. Townsend managed the T and C Food Market in Littleton for about 18 years. His "number one priority" was always to run a greenhouse, he said.

Mrs. Townsend studied horticulture at the Thompson School of Applied Science. Mr. Townsend studied independently with her books. She received an Associate's Degree in Applied Science with a major in horticulture in 1978. They planned to open a greenhouse, he said.

Because of the fuel crunch of 1974, Mr. Townsend and his wife decided a greenhouse wouldn't be profitable. He said he is satisfied owning a flower shop instead.

Mr. Townsend would like to enlarge his business. He plans to buy one or two more flower shops.



Mr. Carl Porter, left, and Mr. Richard Lord have joined the ORHS custodial staff this year. (Hagman photo)

Parents' Day

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was originally proposed by Katrina Everngam at the Oct. 5 senior class meeting.

The "open house" will help parents to see what school is really like, said

Mr. Jones.

The conflict between students and the new Parent Support Group influenced the decision to hold Parents' Day, in order to "clear up misunderstandings" about the students and the school itself, said Walker.

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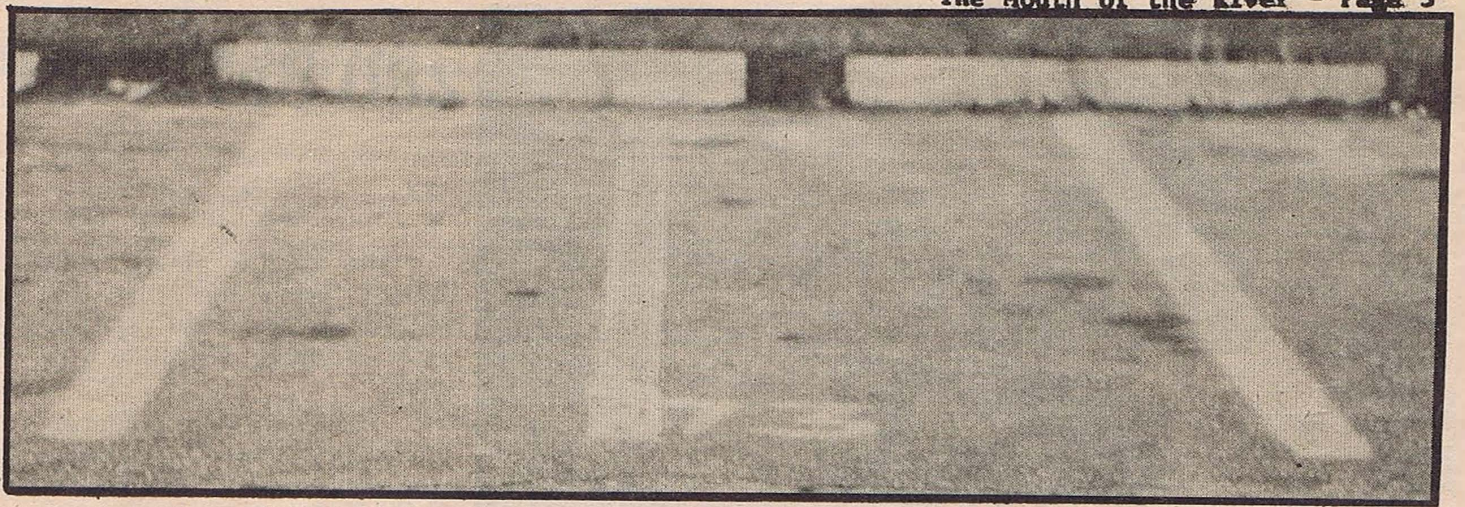
Parking Lot

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utilize the parking areas and reduce congestion."

The total cost of the painting project was \$268.75 with the reflective-yellow paint costing \$90 and labor and equipment \$178.75. Senior Eric Gleske painted the parking place numbers after the Durham Department of Public Works painted the parking place lines Oct. 14. Student parking will be limited to the front lot with a maximum of 54 places. Faculty lots contain 67 other places in addition to two handicap parking places in front of the school.

ORHS Asst. Prin. Neil Shapiro said over 65 parking



New ORHS student parking space 73 shows where new lines have been painted around old ones (center). Prin. Jones has asked the Student Council to oversee the ordering, assignment and monitoring of student parking stickers. (Hagman photo)

applications have been turned in. Most will be returned to the students for more specifics as to why they need a parking place. Those students awarded

parking place will have to pay an estimated \$3 fee to defer paperwork, parking stickers, and lot maintenance costs.

ORHS Prin. Geoffrey Jones said that the students with the most need will get the parking places first. He said, "There probably will be some limited time parking permits issued for those students who require a parking place for a certain time period, such as during basketball season." He also said those students obtaining drivers licenses during the school year who apply for a parking place will be considered for a limited time parking permit.

Mr. Thompson also said parking on the road in front of the school may be banned for safety reasons. Mr. Shapiro said this probably won't happen until winter when the size of the road is reduced due to snow drift accumulations.

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SCAN to Poll

by Jon Myslivy

A SCAN interview of ORHS students and faculty on the issues of the 80's might be shown to homeroom classes, SCAN advisor Paul Gasowski said last week.

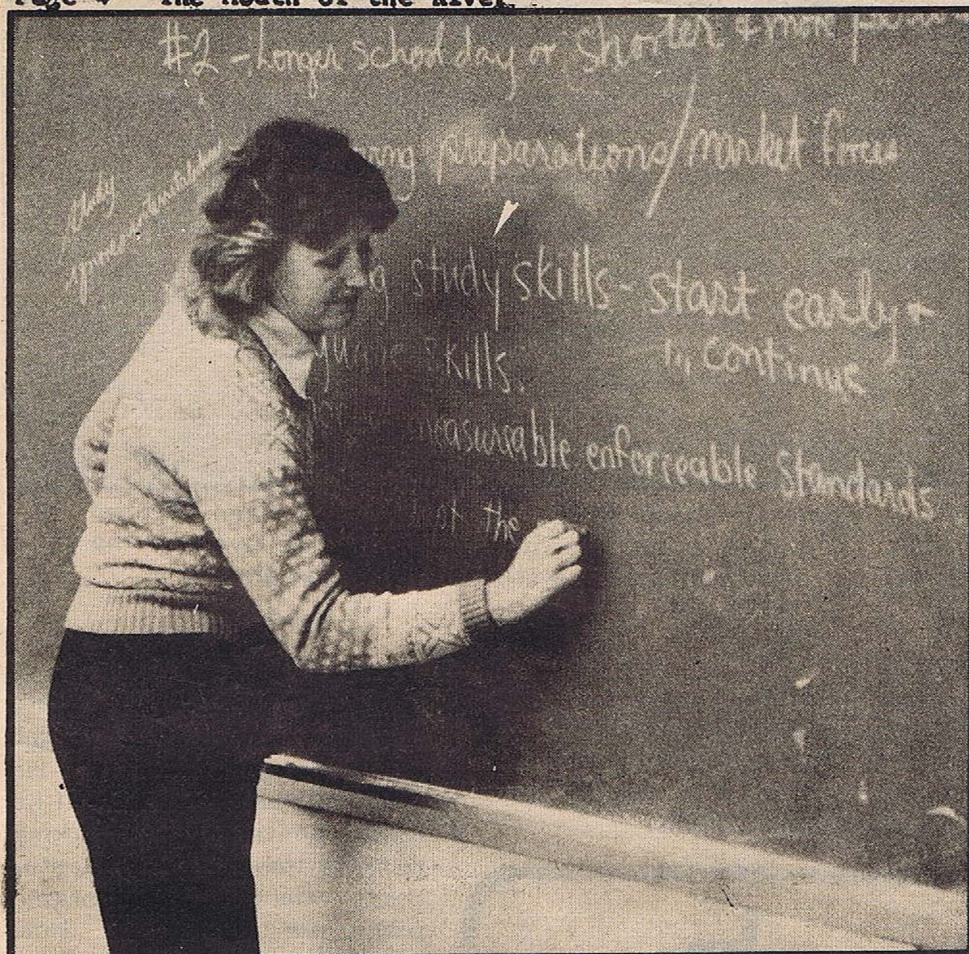
This SCAN issue, if produced, will have journalism students interviewing the students and faculty during their free periods and after lunch.

"We have not determined if the interviews will be a project", said Mr. Gasowski, "It depends on the answers to the questions, and also the questions asked."

The staff of SCAN consists of the video tape production class. Each person of the class, who are Seniors Penney Sutcliffe, Eric Hagman, Eric Gleske, Harvey Turner, and Ethan Gilsdorf, must produce two SCAN productions a year, said Sutcliffe.

The latest production, the profile of Math teacher Robert Nilson, produced by Hagman, was viewed by students in most homerooms starting last Monday.

The next production will be a profile on the planetarium. This project is being produced by Sutcliffe and Turner.



OR School Board Member Sharon Meeker leads small group discussion at the Oct. 26 A Nation at Risk open forum. (Hagman photo)

ORHS Parent Group Plans Drug Hotline

by Bridget Finnegan

The Oyster River Parent Support Group will begin work on an information hotline next week, said Group Member Irene Bragdon last Tuesday.

Mrs. Bragdon, along with Mrs. Lee Reischer head the committee that hopes to provide a 24-hour information and referral service for parents and students.

According to Mrs. Bragdon, the committee has determined the hot-line should offer information on drugs, alcohol and pregnancy. The hot-line will refer callers to professionals if necessary.

The service won't be operational for "a long while," said Mrs. Bragdon, due to the necessity of having well trained operators and having counselors.

Private Parties Comm. Chairwoman and co-founder of the support group Arlene Matusow, is waiting for a response from students to her meeting with the ORHS Student Council.

According to Mrs. Matusow, she went to the council hoping to develop student interest in a committee with parents to offer information for the set of guidelines being composed by the support group.

The guidelines are to assist parents and other community members in dealing with drug and alcohol abuse, continued Mrs. Matusow.

OR Says Teachers' Pay Is Number One Priority

by Monica Bradley

Improving teachers' salaries should be top priority with the national report on poor education, decided Oyster River School District members and ORHS faculty at recent meetings.

Plans are being made to handle the issue of teachers' salaries and other top issues. "Board members have received the public report and are waiting for a more extensive report," to help with discussions and planning, said School Board Chairman William J. Healy.

With 60-70 parents, faculty and community members, six school board members were present Oct. 26. Mr. Healy, Mrs. Sharon Meeker, Mrs. Barbara Houston, Mrs. Anita Rutman, Mrs. Suzanne Loder, and Mr. Robert Dody each led a group of eight to ten people to discuss the report. Supt. John H. Powers spoke at the meeting.

"I was pleased with the good cross-section of the community that attended the meeting, though I wish there would have been more," said Mrs. Meeker. The public gave ideas that will "serve as guidance to the board," she added.

The A Nation at Risk report was released by US Sec. of Education T.H. Bell, criticizing and making recommendations for US schools.

The goals of the open forum were to "localize the report, its critique and its recommendations and to place priority on each identified item," said Mr. Healy.

280 Sales for ORHS Trion

by Anne Marshall

The Oyster River High School Trion has sold 280 copies of its 1984 edition, said yearbook officials this week.

All but approximately 20 seniors have purchased yearbooks at \$15 each, said Editor Betsy Woodruff. Yearbooks have been sold in homerooms for the past month.

The 1983-84 staff made \$365 at their dance Oct. 28.

The money and any other funds earned throughout the year will be used to decrease the cost of the yearbook for students, said Woodruff.

The actual production cost of each Trion is approximately \$23. For the 350 copies which have been ordered the color section alone cost \$2,000, said Trion

Advisor Anna Nash.

The dance was just the first of a three-part fund-raising drive, said Mrs. Nash. The staff is also planning to sponsor a photographer to take family portraits Nov. 19 and 20 in combination with the art department.

They will also produce a calendar featuring ORHS students' art work.

There are 35 students working on the yearbook, triple the number from last year.

Mrs. Nash and Mrs. Linda Barnaby act as advisors. Seniors Woodruff and Bonnie Spencer as co-editors, coordinate the efforts of three groups: lay-out, photography and fundraising merchandising.

Senior Jennifer Daley is the layout editor, Senior Elise Bain is in charge of copy, Junior David Taylor and Senior Eric Hagman are photography editors and Senior Lisa Myslivy heads up merchandising.

Mrs. Nash said she hopes the yearbook will be something for students to look back at in 20 years and see the people and places that shaped their lives. She also said she sees the yearbook as a "vehicle to teach kids about design, layout and photography."

The yearbook can also be a forum to exhibit the talent and vibrant personalities of the ORHS students, said Mrs. Nash.

Among important issues

prioritized were: more restrictions on scheduling, with more mandatory classes and fewer electives; improved study skills all through the school; and more periods in a school day.

Parents, faculty and the public supported fewer elective courses in order to include more math, science, English and social studies -- the "New Basics".

"It's the structure of the courses that counts. There needs to be more emphasis

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Mr. Dickerman Leaves

by John Tegan

Oyster River High School Snack Bar and Cafeteria Supervisor Edmund Dickerman resigned last week, and has been replaced by Mrs. Loretta Langley, said Asst. Prin. Neil Shapiro.

Mr. Dickerman had been

with the school for ten years and "put in a great deal of his own time and will be greatly missed," said Mr. Shapiro. He noted that Mr. Dickerman regularly provided extra help at school functions.

Mr. Dickerman had spoken to Prin. Geoffrey Jones before the beginning of school about resigning but agreed to stay on until a suitable replacement could be found.

Mr. Dickerman said that he resigned because he had been with the school "long enough." He also said that he wished to do some volunteer work as soon as he is needed.

Mr. Dickerman has volunteered to tutor in any subject. Mr. Jones said he is trying to arrange this work.

Mrs. Langley said that she would not be able "to fill his shoes." Mrs. Langley's main function will be to manage all cafeteria and snack bar operations. Mrs. Hurley, who previously worked part time, will take Mrs. Langley's full-time position.

Two Computers For Home Use

by Kirstie Winston

Two TRS-80 Model 100 portable computers purchased this summer are available to computer experienced students for home use, according to ORHS Math Teacher Barbara Hill.

Funds donated by the Damon Spencer Memorial Computer Fund to aid Oyster River High School students, said Mrs. Hill, purchased the two briefcase sized units for \$1600. The retail price is \$2000 for the two, she said.

Any student or teacher with computer experience can check out one of the two portable computers from the library for use at home. Mrs. Hill encourages students to use the computers to finish computer homework.

The Model 100's can save a program overnight and operate cadmium batteries. Students later can feed information to a printer in school.

The computers have a word processor which allows students to type in a report, save it in the battery protected memory, and feed it to a printer before school starts. The word processor has many commands such as margin controls and text editing.

Having the computers "diminishes the inequity between the students who have computers, and those students that do not," said Mrs. Hill.

History Class Plans Banquet

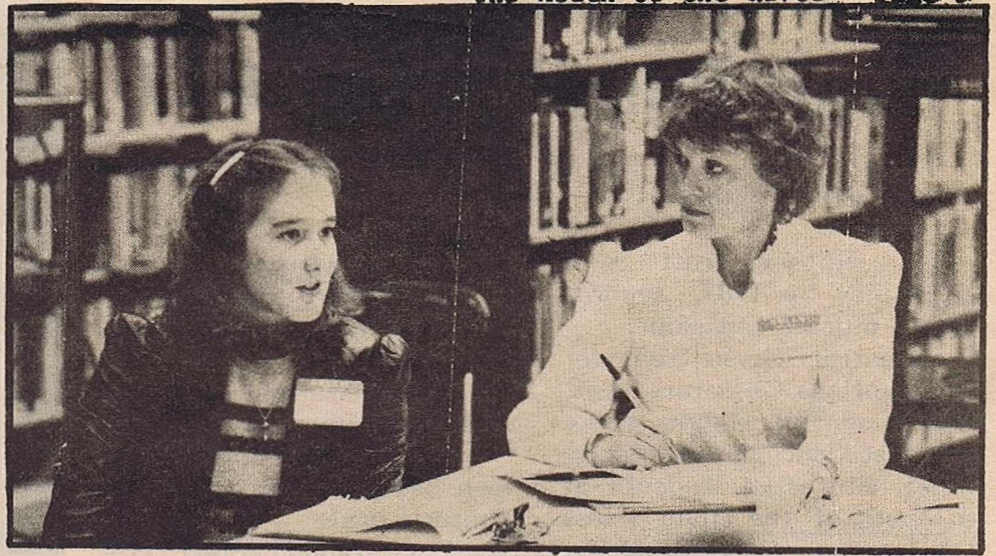
by Sandy Dahl

The Medieval Early Modern History class will hold a Medieval Festival/banquet, Friday, Jan. 13, according to Alex Herlihy.

The Festival/Banquet will be the students' second semester project.

Entertainment will be provided with the help of Mr. Stephen Denson's music and the Latin club. But Mr. Herlihy also stressed the need for donations.

Mr. Herlihy said, "We will try to make it as authentic as possible. We want to make this era come alive."



ORHS Senior Bonnie Spencer speaks at the Chemical People discussion panel Nov. 2. School Nurse Beth Kleine looks on. (Hagman photo)

55 See 'Chemical People'

by: Jennifer Parks

Last Wednesday, 55 local people gathered in the Oyster River High School Library to view and discuss the first segment of the two-part series of Chemical People, a program about school-age drug abuse, said ORHS Nurse Beth Kleine.

Chemical People is a national campaign to combat school-age drug abuse. It consists of two one-hour national telecasts to be aired by all public television stations simultaneously Nov. 2 and 9 from 8:00-9:00 p.m. The program will be hosted by First Lady Nancy Reagan.

After the telecast, the meeting was opened for discussion with panel members, including: University of New Hampshire Health Dir. Steven Dieleman as moderator; Mrs. Kleine; Nora Attenborough, RN; Dr. Sol Rockenmacher; Durham District Court Prob-

ation Officer Raymond Bilodeau; Lee Reischer, parent; and ORHS Senior Bonnie Spencer.

Chemical People was planned for this community by Channel 11 Project Dir. Bill Brady, the OR Educational Workshop, the ORHS Parent Support Group, Mr. Dieleman, and Mrs. Kleine.

Peer Advisors To Be Trained

Peer counselor training at Oyster River High School is expected to begin this month, funded by a \$ 1,500 grant to the OR Health Curriculum Committee, said school officials this week.

The New Hampshire Public Health Trust Fund set up by The Bank of New Hampshire funded the grant, said School Nurse Beth Kleine.

The money will also be used to establish a community alcohol/drug education and resource center at the high school, print information and buy materials for Chemical People meetings, assist Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) and print and distribute a list of professionals (doctors, counselors) for rehabilitation of alcohol and drug abusers.

This list, although not complete yet, is available from Mrs. Kleine, she said.

Advisors

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- Familiarize students with library facilities
- Give advice on social and financial problems
- Reinforce outstanding achievement
- Let students know that the advisors care.

Mr. Jones added that the colored cards filled out by students last Monday are to make homeroom attendance faster and easier than using a list.

Group Studies USSR

by Sandy Dahl

The 13 members of the Oyster River High School History Study Group have been assigned the political and cultural aspects of the Soviet Union as their first topic of study, according to Group Advisor Alex Herlihy.

They will see the movie "Khrushchev Remembers" Nov. 17. It's based on the Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev, and communism in Russia between 1910 and 1960.

The members are: Seniors Tricia Irwin, Bill Kaufmann, Karen Rockenmacher, Mike Wellington, and Brandi Didehvar; Juniors Andrew Corrow, Tom Cuniff, John-Paul Glutting, Richard Lewis, Jennifer Parks, Dave Seperson and Greg Mercer; and Sophomore Layla Voll.

Mr. Herlihy says the group is "slow going" because everybody is busy with their other work.

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Draft Possible By 1987

by Bridget Finegan

A military draft is a possibility by 1987, according to a draft counselor.

Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors draft counselor Bill Galvin spoke to 25 student journalists and other interested students at a Mouth of the River Press Conference Oct. 25. Mr. Galvin said in light of the recent military action in Beirut he is "real scared" about the prospect of a draft in the near future.

Mr. Galvin also based his fears on a recent Georgetown University study showing the need for a draft in the mid to late 1980's. The study, according to Mr. Galvin, cited the decreasing number of 18 year-olds and an improving economy as reasons for fewer military enlistments.

Mr. Galvin also discussed:

- Recruiting tactics used by the military branches.
- Penalties for non-registration.
- Preparation for Conscientious Objector status.
- The possibility of women being drafted under the doctor's draft.

Mr. Galvin urged students to be aware of the tactics used by recruiters to entice enlistment such as promising recruits training equivalent to a college education.

Mr. Galvin said many recruits are urged to lie on their draft agreement.

Students who fail to register for the draft will be denied federal student loans under Title 4, Mr. Galvin

continued.

The maximum penalty

for non-registration, a felony, is five years in prison

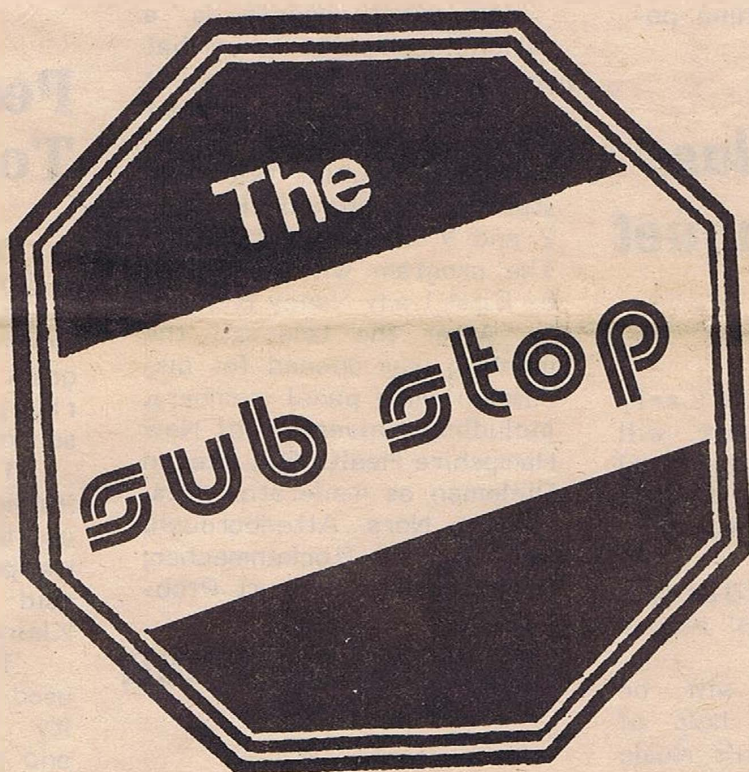
and a \$10,000 fine. Only 16 people have actually been convicted, he added.

Mr. Galvin urged that draft candidates who intend to file for a Conscientious Objector status should begin compiling references and a moral or religious statement. Mr. Galvin stressed advance preparation because of the short amount of time between receiving the draft notice and filing for deferment.

Under the Doctor's Draft women may be included, said Mr. Galvin.



Bill Galvin of the Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors answers questions at an Oct. 25 press conference. (Hagman photo)



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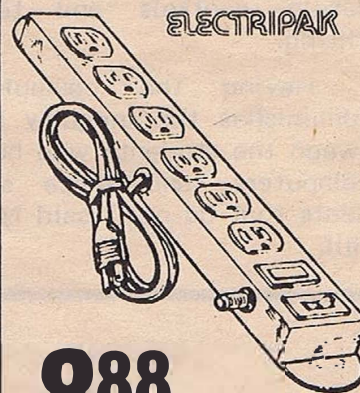
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ORHS Insurance Coverage Questioned

by Chris Sterndale

Insurance coverage for Oyster River High School equipment is "not close to what we need," said Principal Geoffrey Jones last week.

Mr. Jones' comment comes following a recent break-in of the ORHS planetarium. A stereo receiver, cassette deck and some small items were stolen by a "walk-in thief", according to Teacher Eleanor Milliken. The stolen equipment was covered by a \$1,000 deductible.

The school's video tape and music equipment are also covered by a \$1,000 deductible, said Mr. Jones. \$600 has been set aside for better coverage. The \$600 will cover \$120,000 worth of equipment, added Mr. Jones.

Math Teacher Barbara Hill has recently gotten better insurance coverage for two new Radio Shack Model 100 computers purchased recently. Students can take them home for use.

The computers are insured and should benefit students in computer classes, the Damon Spencer Computer Club, journalism classes, and writing workshop classes, said Mrs. Hill. She has introduced the model 100's to her classes, and plans to introduce them to other classes as well.

The plan insures the equipment for \$24,000, software for \$5,000 and \$10,000 for transportation. This plan went into effect two weeks ago, and costs \$110 per year, she said.

SCAN Advisor Paul Gasowski said that there are

three tape decks, two cameras and many accessories, all covered by the \$1,000 deductible. Mr. Gasowski has also been working to get better coverage, because, "If we lose one piece of equipment, it would hurt us greatly."

Scan

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"It takes a long time to produce a final product for SCAN," said Gleske, "and we try to reach the highest level of professionalism we can in the short time we have to produce. Any person who is interested in helping, or would like to help would be immensely appreciated", added Gleske.

Career Testing Set

by Lisa Myslivy

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) and the Ohio Vocational Interest Survey (OVIS) will be offered to juniors and seniors in November and December, according to the career education advisor.

The ASVAB will be held Nov. 29 in rm. 11. So far 46 students have signed up to take this military test.

The ASVAB was designed to see if a student has military abilities. It also shows which vocation would be better for that student, said Ms. Nancy Winterbottom.

The OVIS test will be held Dec. 8 and 15 in rm. 11. So far 96 juniors and 33 seniors have signed up for this test.

The OVIS test was designed to show a student how to use interests to help choose a vocation, said Ms. Winterbottom.

The ASVAB and OVIS tests are career not scholastically oriented tests, she said.

"Every student at some point should take some kind of vocational or occupational inventory", said Ms. Winterbottom. She does not like the ASVAB or OVIS tests but says they are better than not taking any aptitude test.

The results of the tests will be available in about four to six weeks. Students should make appointments with a guidance advisor to go over the results, she said.

This fall, ORHS juniors have already taken the PSAT, the state accountability writing sample, and the English and math accountability tests.

Nation

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on the 'new basics' in all courses," said ORHS Prin. Geoffrey Jones.

An issue not raised at the forum was that the "school board needs to re-examine the role it plays relative to providing funds to finance the school," said ORHS Science Teacher Charles Perry, who was present at the meeting.

"Some of the changes, such as course selection restrictions, may go into effect as early as next September, yet others such as study skills, will be developed over a number of years," he added.

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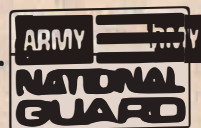


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4 Coaching Slots Vacant For Winter Sports Season

by David Philips

Four coaches for the Oyster River High School winter sports season beginning in mid-November have yet to be appointed by the OR School Board, said OR Athletic Dir. Sam Clark Tuesday.

Candidates for boys' junior varsity basketball coach and boys' winter track coach are to be approved or rejected at the board meeting Wednesday, said Prin. Geoffrey Jones. There have been no applicants at all for boys' junior varsity ice hockey or girls' winter track.

He attributed this delay to increasing number of sports, decreasing faculty coaches, the transient UNH student coaches and the

Student Lounge

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The council expects more information by Tuesday meeting, said SC advisor Charles Perry.

SC Sec. Jennifer Parks, calls the proposal "entirely impossible," citing complications with the proposed location of the lounge, in the mezzanine over the library. The heating and air ducts run through the mezzanine, and would be blocked by a proposed plexiglass divider. It would be necessary to re-route the vent system and new rooms would be needed for special education and detention students, she said. Mr. Perry said that, "Too many students are wasting time and this would just be another place to go." Library Aide Elizabeth Baxter called the lounge "an excellent idea, but this isn't the location." She said, "It is a needed thing, but where?"

SC Vice Pres. Anne Marshall said that "If it is handled the right way, the lounge could be a real asset to the school." The lounge could provide a comfortable atmosphere to do work and/or relax and carry on conversation, she said. As it stands now, there is no place for students who need to talk in order to do their work, she explained. The cafeteria is loud and confusing and the library is for quiet study.

SC has over \$600 to spend, which wouldn't begin to cover the cost of the lounge. Marshall proposed combining the treasury funds from the council and the senior class and making the lounge their "gift to the school."

busy school board schedule.

At least 67 students are expected to try out for the four basketball teams this year, boys' and girls' varsity and Junior varsity. Boys' practice started Monday and their first game is Dec. 9 at Somersworth, said OR Boys' Varsity Basketball Coach David Nichols.

Girls' practice started Oct. 31 and their first game is Nov. 30 at Sanborn, said girls' Varsity Basketball Coach Pat Bohner, a UNH graduate in physical education.

OR Middle School Physical Education teacher Tim Quint will coach the Boys' Varsity Ice Hockey team this year. He said that practice started Monday with 43 people showing up to try out for the two 20-person varsity and junior varsity squads. Their first game is Dec. 7 at Spaulding.

Winter track practice will probably start Nov. 15, if coaches are approved, said track coach applicant Rich Hinkel.

Drama

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According to Mr. Tappan, the script of "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" must be changed in a few areas. "I'm writing in changes to modernize it. When the play was written 20 years ago, the slang was different. We're putting in words like 'Geek'."

"A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" will be performed Dec. 8 and 10. "Nicholas Nickleby" will be performed for the public Jan. 6 and 7, after a private preview performance for the Women's Guild Dec. 9.

Math Team Takes First Place

by Keith Weston

The Oyster River High School Math Team took first place to win the Portsmouth Tri-State Math League meet last Wednesday, said Math Team Advisor Petar Stoykovich.

The scorers at the meet originally put OR in third place due to an adding error. The mistake was discovered after the meet by math team members.

Mr. Stoykovich had the error corrected, giving OR 193 points for the win. Masconomet High School from Massachusetts placed second with 192 points, followed by Amsebury with 190 points.

The win places OR in first place in the Tri-State



The Oyster River High School Varsity Volleyball team celebrates one victory in this year's championship season. (Taylor photo)

Fall Sports Fete Monday To Honor Tourney Stars

by: Bill Reeves

The Oyster River High School Sports Award Night will be held at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria Monday to honor 11 fall sports groups, including the state champion volleyball team.

Also being honored are state semi-finalists boys' and girls' varsity soccer teams and the undefeated boys' JV soccer squad. Members of the ORHS Varsity Cheerleaders will also attend the banquet.

Toastmaster Robert Houston will call upon coaches to award their players, said OR Booster Club Past-Pres. Marie Rogers. The coaches will announce a Most Valuable Player and a Most Improved Player, she also said.

Varsity coaches will hand out trophies to varsity MVP's and MIP's. They will

also hand out certificates to the players. The players will receive a school letter if they have not already lettered and those who already have a letter will receive a pin.

The varsity volleyball team may receive a banner with the date to hang below their 1981 banner. The banner may not be presented Monday but later at the winter sports banquet because it takes time to make, Mrs. Rogers said.

Every player on the team will receive a champion's patch. The team was 15-1 in their season and went on to take the state title.

The boys' varsity soccer team, 12-4-1 in the regular season, lost to Keene in the semi-finals last week in Concord.

The girls' varsity soccer team was eliminated in the semi-finals by Winnacunnet last week in Concord. They were 13-3-1 this year.

Although nobody from the boys' cross country team qualified for the state meet last Saturday, the team placed tenth out of 20 teams in the Class Meet Oct. 29. The team placed third out of 16 in the Southeast League Meet at St. Thomas High School Oct. 22.

Sophomore Joyce Anderson placed ninth and Junior Kirsten Federer placed thirty-second in the state meet last Saturday for the girls' cross country team. The team forfeited in the class meet, but Anderson finished second and Federer placed tenth. The team also forfeited the Southeast League Meet Oct. 22 at St. Thomas High School.

The Varsity Field Hockey Team finished their season with a 3-9-2 record.

The JV boys' soccer team remained undefeated with a 12-0 season.